The Caledonian Mercury.

Edinburgh, Tuesday, January 14. 1729.

From the London Evening Post, Jan. 7.

Madrid, Dec. 21.

COunt Coningsck-Erps, arrived here on Thursday last from the Hague by the Way of France: He lodges at his Uncle Count Coningseck's, whom he is come to relieve, but 'tis said this last has put off his Departure for the Court of Vienna till next Spring, and consequently will not till then resign his Embassy to the Count his Nephew. In the Night between the 13th and 14th of this Month, Signior Bichi the Pope's late Nuncio at Lisbon arrived here, and went to lodge at the Nuncio Aldobrandini's. The next Day he had Audience of their Majesty's and all the Royal Family, who gave him a very gracious Reception. On Wednesday it was published by the King's Order, that their Majesty's Departure for the Frontiers of Portugal, to make the Exchange of the Prince of Asturias with the Prince of Brazil, is fixed for the 7th of January next, which has caused a general Astonishment, as well by Reason of the Severity of the Season, as on the Account of the other Difficulties which must attend so long and tiresome a Journey. The Princess of Brazil, the Prince of Asturias, the Infants Don Carlos and Don Philip, and all the Court Ladies are to set out forward the 2d of January, and their Majesty's will follow them the 7th of that Month: All the Grandees and Foreign Ministers are to go the Journey; and we already compute above 1000 Persons in their Majesties Retinue. the Route is settled in such a Manner, that the Court will arrive in ten Days at Badajoz, and the same Day of their Arrival there, the King of Portugal will arrive at Elvas. His Portuguese Majesty will come first to visit the King our Sovereign at Badajoz; and his Catholick Majesty, accompanied by all the Grandees and Foreign Ministers, will afterwards Return the Visit at Elvas. After the Exchange of the two Princesses, there will be at Badajoz and Elvas, magnificent Feasts, Bull-Fights, and other Demonstrations of Joy. The Court has already dispatched Orders to provide on the Road a sufficient Quantity of Provisions and all other Necessaries; but it is forseen that it will be difficult to execute these Orders, and 'tis much feared that many Persons will be ruined by this tedious and wearisome Journey.

Cadiz, Dec. 14. We now begin to expect the Arrival of the Galleons; their Arrival, will no Doubt revive our drooping Commerce. Three Days ago came here in a Long Boat, 11 Sailors, late belonging to the Catharine of Hamburg, Jan Jacob Major Master, which sailed from hence the latter End of last Month, with a Cargo of 280 Pipes of Wine, Oil, and other Goods for Hamburg; but was taken about 25 Leagues from hence by an Algerine Rover of 54 Guns. The Captain and three of his Crew continued aboard, chusing rather to be carried into Captivity, than to trust themselves to the Mercy of the Sea.

Amsterdam, Jan. We have Advice from Elsenor, that the Sound is so full of Ice, as to render it impassible by Shipping: And from Hamburg we learn, by Letters dated the 7th Instant, that the Elbe was so hard frozen over, that even in Case of a Thaw, it would be long e're the Ships could stir; and that a great Number of Ships bound up to Hamburg, lay in Cooks Haven at the Mouth of the Elbe.

From the Evening Post, Jan.. 7.

Moscow, Decem. 13. The Ambassadors of th' Emperor of the Romans and the King of Spain, have frequent Conferences with our Ministers, on the Subject of the transacting Negociations. There was lately held an extraordinary Council in the Presence of the Emperor, to which the Patriarch of this City was summoned; which makes People believe that Matters of great Importance have been debated therein. And some think it was to regulate the Succession to the Empire, in case the Emperor should die without Issue.

Rome, Decem. 18. The Pope has published a Bull.

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ſetting forth the Reaſons that have induced him to declare the Relicts of St. Auſtin (which were found this Year near Pavia) to be genuine. It appears plainly, *ſays this Bull*, by the moſt authentick Monuments, that the Vandals having ſtirred up a Perſecution in Africa, the Biſhops of the Province were baniſhed into Sardinia, towards the Cloſe of the 5th Century, and carried with them the Body of St. Auſtin into that Iſland, where it was kept with particular Reſpect till the Beginning of the 8th Century. The Saracens about this Time made an Irruption into Sardinia, and carried their Impiety ſo far, as to prophane the holy Places, and pious Monuments of the Faithful: Whereupon Luitprand, King of the Lombards, ſent ſome pious Men into Sardinia, to ranſom the Relicts of that Saint at any Price. He ordered them to be brought to the City with a great Solemnity, and to be depoſited in the Church of St. Peter, call'd *The Golden Canopy*, which he had prepared for that Purpoſe.

Chevalier Ruſconi, the moſt famous Sculptor of the Age, died here the 9th Inſtant.

Madrid, Decem. 21. The King being on the 19th Inſtant entred into the 46th Year of his Age, went in Ceremony to hear Maſs in the Chapel of the Royal Palace, and afterwards gave Audience to the Foreign Miniſters of his Commiſſion, who accompanied him. After this, their Majeſties were complimented on this Anniverſary by the Grandees the Pope's Nuncio, and the Marquis Rangoni, Envoy Extraordinary from the Duke of Modena; who after having made his publick Entry into the City with much Splendor, was introduced by the Count Villa Franca to Audience of their Majeſties and all the Royal Family.

From the Whitehall Evening Poſt, Jan. 7.

Peterſburg, Decem. 18. New Orders are come from Moſcow, to hold the Troops ready to paſs in Review before the End of February; which makes it believed that his Imperial Majeſty will be here by the End of January.

Dreſden, Decem. 30. The Departure of the King for Poland is ſtill uncertain. His Majeſty, who continues to enjoy perfect Health, has ordered the Apartment of the Caſtle of Mauntsburg to be repaired. Placaerts are ſtuck up in ſeveral Parts for making Levies. The King gives 24 Rixdollars for each Recruit. His Majeſty has reſolved always to have on foot in this Electorat 28 or 30000 marching Men. The Counteſs Dowager Fleming is returned hither from her Eſtates in Lithuania; but has left there the Count her Son. A Report runs, that Prince Ratowski is to be raiſed to the Dignity of a Prince; and that he is ſuddenly to marry a great Fortune.

Conſtantinople, Nov. 11. The Plague, which has made great Ravages in this City, begins to abate from Day to Day. The Porte has given to the Foreign Miniſters, that the Reports which had been ſpread of its making Preparations for War, were void of Foundation, it being reſolved to obſerve a ſtrict Peace with all its Neighbours. We have received no News from Perſia for ſome Time paſt, which makes People believe that nothing has happened conſiderable. The Aga of the Janiſaries has petitioned the Grand Vizier, to pray him to cauſe to be reſtored to the Janiſaries and Spahees, the Booty which they had taken from the Perſians in the late War, conſiſting of Jewels, Gold and Silver not coined, which had been taken from them, on promiſe of giving them the Worth of them in ready Money, and they doubted of having Satisfaction touching their Demand.

Cadix, Decem. 14. The *St. Franciſco*, the *St. Bruno*, and the *Patache*, bound for Buenos Ayres, have their Fore Topſail hall'd home, in order for ſailing. They have on board 400 Sailors; ſo that they are in no Danger of the Algerines.

London, Jan. 7. Several Veſſels are going hence for Scarborough in Yorkſhire, to bring thence a great Quantity of Oak Timber, which has been purchaſed there for the Uſe of his Majeſty's Yard at Chatham,

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Wye's Letter verbatim, London, Jan. 9.

Since our laſt arrived a French and Flanders Mail.

BUT I brought nothing concerning the Congreſs, nor of the King of Spain's final Anſwer to the laſt Propoſals of the Allies of Hanover; who however are reſolved not to admit of much farther Delays. And 'tis ſaid they have repreſented the

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ſame by their Miniſters to the Court of Madrid.

The Letters from Vienna remark, among other Things, That M. Bruninx, Envoy of the States General, is charged with ſome Negociations of the higheſt Importance.

The Merchants who attended the Lords Commiſſioners of Trade laſt Tueſday, had a Copy given them of the Charter for ſettling a Civil Government at Gibraltar, in order for their Peruſal, and we hear are to report their Opinion thereon to the ſaids Lords Commiſſioners next Week. Mean-time Meaſures are taking for making it a Free Port, excepting ſome ſmall Duties on Anchorage, &c.

Letters from Dublin of the 31ſt paſt ſay, That by reaſon of the great Miſeries of the Poor, from the high Price of all manner of Corn, a Proclamation had been publiſhed for putting a ſpeedy and effectual Stop to all manner of Exportation thereof, alſo of all Corn, Grain and Meal whatſoever, bak'd and made up in Bread, Biſcuit, or any other way, except to England; and ſuch Quantities only, as ſhall be neceſſary for the Ships Crews and Paſſengers, &c.

On Tueſday laſt as the Prince of Wales went to his Box in the Theatre, to ſee the Beggars Opera perform'd by little Children, one of them, dreſt like a Cupid, came flying down by means of a Machine from the Top of the Houſe, and fell at his R. Highneſs's Feet, and preſenting him with the Book of the Play, flew up again, to the great Entertainment of the Spectators.

His Royal Highneſs was laſt Night at the Theatre in Drury Lane, to ſee Mr. Cibber's new Paſtoral called, *Love in a Riddle*. But he ſoon left the Houſe, by Reaſon the Actors were prevented from performing, on Account of the great Diſturbance that was made by ſome of the Attendants.

Yeſterday the Reverend Dr. Heylin preached an excellent Sermon to the Societies for Reformation of Manners. 'Tis wiſhed that a due Regard may be had thereto, the Occaſion for it being ſcarce ever known to be greater than at preſent, particularly with reſpect to *Corruptions*, *Falſhoods*, and *Injuſtice*.

'Tis thought an Additional Duty will be laid on Geneva. This Morning a Fire broke out at Alderman Parſon's Malt Houſe in Hermitage, which conſumed the ſame with all the Malt therein of a conſiderable Value. This is the third or fourth Fire that has happened in thoſe Parts in a very ſhort Time. 'Tis reckoned, that the Entertainment which the Earl of Tankerville is preparing, will coſt 1500 L. This Morning died the Honourable Mr. Barton, one of the Commiſſioners of his Majeſty's Navy. The Under Secretaries of State have been very buſy for ſome Days paſt in preparing, as 'tis reported, certain Matters to be laid before the Parliament; and that the King will open the Seſſion with a Speech relating to a Truce of four Years. Mean time, 'tis ſaid that the Navy Board has Orders to make the ſame Contract for all Manner of Naval Stores, &c. as was made laſt Year.

There are many Diſcourſes now about the Town, among the reſt, we are told, one is relating to the Right Honourable William Pultney Eſq; as to his being ſummoned any more to the Councils. S. S. Stock 98, 1 half.

Glaſgow, Jan. 8. 1729.

Meal, from 08 00 00. to 08 08 00.
Bear, from 08 06 08. to 09 10 00.

ADVERTISEMENTS.

☞ That ſeveral GRASS-PARKS, and about 30 Bolls ſowing of arable Ground of the Lands of Preſtonfield and Cameron, with ſeveral Houſes belonging thereto; are to be ſette: As likewiſe the Malt-barn, Kiln and other Officehouſes at Clearburn, belonging to the ſaid Lands, proper for a Brewary, Dairy or other Manufactory, all about a Mile ſouth Edinburgh. The Entry to the Parks to be at Candlemas 1729; to the arable Land, from Martinmas 1728, the Winter Tillage being almoſt over; and to the Houſes, at Whitſunday next. Enquire for William Stewart at Preſtonfield.

Exchequer-Chamber, 7th January, 1729.

Notice is hereby given, by Order of the Right Honourable BARONS, for the adjudged Creditors on the forfeited Eſtate of James Home late of Ayton, to appear before Them on the 23d Inſtant, to object, if ought they have

to ſay, why Anne Counteſs Dowager of Hume ſhould not be allowed out of the Purchaſe-money of the ſaid Eſtate given in by her, the Annuity and Arrears adjudged to her thereout by the late Commiſſioners and Truſtees Decree, bearing Date the 8th Day of October 1722.

W. BOWLES. Dep. Rem. Reg.

‖¶‖ To be ſold by Roup to the higheſt Bidder, at Thornhill in the Shire of Drumfries, upon the 16th of February next, a large WOOD of fine old OAK Timber, growing upon the Barony of Keir, about 7 Miles from the Town of Drumfries. The Conditions to be ſeen in the Hands of John Dalrymple of Waterſide, at his Houſe near Thornhill, or John Neilſon of Chapel, at his Houſe in Drumfries, or Thomas Goldie Writer to the Signet, at his Writing-chamber in Brounhill's Square, Laun-market, Edinburgh.

*** That the voluntary Roup of the Lands of CARSKERDO, formerly advertiſed to have been ſold upon the 17th of January Inſt, is adjourned to Friday the laſt Day of the ſame Month, to be then rouped in the *Houſe* of Patrick Herdman Vintner in Edinburgh, at three of the Clock in the *Afternoon*. The free Rent of the Lands is about eighty *Pound* Sterling. They have a convenient Dwelling-houſe thereon, lately built, conſiſting of ſeven Fire-rooms with Garrets, and all neceſſary Office-houſes, hold Taxtward of the Crown for Payment of twelve Pound Scots yearly for Ward, the like Sum for Relief, and thirty ſix l. for the Marriage; ly within the Pariſh of Ceres, at two Miles diſtance from the Firth of Forth, and three Miles from Cowper in Fife, within a convenient Diſtance from Coal and Peat. The Rental, Progreſs of the Writs and Articles of Roup are to be ſeen in the Hands of Alexander Stevenſon of Montgreenan, Writer to the Signet, at his Writing Chamber in the Parliament Cloſe.

¶*¶ Whereas it was formerly advertiſed, That the Magiſtrates and Town-council of St. ANDREW's had appointed a comparative Trial (at that Place upon Wedneſday the 22d of this Month) of the Qualifications of all thoſe who ſhould ſtand Candidates for the Maſterſhip of that Grammar-ſchool: Theſe are therefore to intimate, That the Magiſtrates, for ſeveral weighty Conſiderations, have put off the ſaid Trial to a more ſeaſonable Time of the Year; and that Advertiſements of the particular Day to which the ſame is delayed, ſhall be timeouſly inſert in this Paper.

†*† By Order of the Truſtees for the Creditors of William Douglas of Glenbervy and Robert Douglas of Scotſcraig: Upon Tueſday the 11th of February next, in the Houſe of Mris. Thom Vintner in Edinburgh, betwixt the Hours of 3 & 5 after Noon, there is to be expoſed to Sale by way of Roup, the Lands and Barony of Foody and Finask, as alſo the Lands and Eſtate of Scotſcraig; all lying in the Shire of Fife. The Rentals, Progreſs and Conditions of the Sale, are to be ſeen in the Hands of Will. Forbes Writer to the Signet, at his Chamber in the Parliament Cloſe.

§ That there is (immediately) to be ſette or ſold, LODGING at Inveresk, Yard, Orchyard, and 10 Acre of Land incloſed with a Stone and Lime Wall, preſently poſſeſſed by the Relict of General Maitland. The Houſe, being 3 Storeys, has 17 Fire-Rooms, 10 Cloſets, 4 Garrets and Pantries, a Pump-well at the Houſe, with Brewhouſe, Stables, Loſts, Coach houſe, and all other Office-houſes. There is in the Park, a Well and Pond, a Stable, Byer, and Hay-loft, all very convenient for one or more Families. Enquire at Archbald Maclauchlan Merchant in Edinburgh, in Fowlis's Cloſe, near the Fountainwell, or at the Shop of Mr. Alexander Symmer Bookſeller in the Parliament Cloſe.

†‖† Whereas the voluntary Sale of the Lands of GOGAR in the Shire of Clackmannan, was about 2 Years ago advertiſed in the News papers, to be ſold by publick Roup, and the ſame being put off, it is now to be expoſed to Sale to the higheſt Bidder, on Thurſday the 6th of February next, betwixt 2 & 4 aclock after Noon, in the Houſe of Mr. Biggar Vintner, at the Sign of the Anchor. The Purchaſe conſiſts of about 277 Acres, arable or planted Ground; a well contriv'd Houſe thereon of 16 Fire-rooms, Stables, Granary, and other Officehouſes fitly ſituated from the Houſe; as are the Gardens, Incloſures and Planting: The Parterre well furniſhed with Evergreens, and the Belvederes, with Viſto's terminating on ſome of the fineſt Seat on the Forth. A fine Free-Stone Quarrey, and Clay for Brick, may be had on the Lands. Coal, and Lime-Stone for Improvement of the Eſtate, is to be had within a Mile of ſo round it. Mr. William Veitch Writer to the Signet, or Mr. Maceuen Bookſeller, will inform as to Particulars.

N. B. The Lands have been for a great many Years neglected by occaſional Incumbrances; but may, by ſmall Induſtry, be improved to evident Advantage.

†*† There is juſt now come home from Spain, a Parcel of good Limons and Oranges, alſo a Parcel of freſh Cheſnuts and Walnuts, &c. As likewiſe from England, a Parcel of good Pippins, Golden Pippens, Kentiſh Pippens, Nonpareils, Peermains, and all Sorts of Baking Apples, to be ſold at Archibald Sheill's Shop at the Hand and Orange, South ſide of the Street, a little below the Croſs-well, at the following Prices, viz. Limons at 1 L. 10 ſh. per Cheſt, or at ten pence per Dozen: Bitter and Sweet Oranges, at reaſonable Rates: Cheſnuts and Wallnuts, at 1 L. 5 ſh. per Buſhel, or at 8 pence the Long hundred. Spaniſh Nuts at 4 d. per Pint. The ſame are to be had at his Warehouſe in Leith, the firſt Loft above the Weigh-houſe. All Sorts of Suggars can be furniſhed at Mr. Sheills's Shop at reaſonable Prices.

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